VII *National Malaria Eradication Programme*

1. Chloroquin
2. Amodiaquin
3. Quinine Inj.
4. Combination of Pyrimethamine (25 mg)+ Sulpacetipyrozine (500 mg.)
5. Paracetamol.

VIII *Filaria*

Diethylcarbamazine

Representation against identification of drugs under the National Health Programme

1060. SHRI DAYANAND SAHAY:
DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare identify the drugs for category I as per the policy approved by the Cabinet;

(b) whether the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has identified certain drugs which are needed for diseases under National Health Programme;

(c) whether some drug companies have submitted representations against the identifications;

(d) whether the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare had sent a communicaion to the Department of Chemicals for consideration of these representations by the Kelkar Committee;

(e) if so, when;

(f) what are the reasons for shifting the responsibility to Kelkar Committee;

(g) whether it is a fact that Ministry of Health and Family Welfare is short of experts in drugs;

(h) what are the enabling provisions under which Kelkar Committee can go beyond their terms of reference;

(i) whether the Ministry has taken Cabinet's approval; and

(j) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMLY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) Although recommendations were sought from the Ministry of Health for durgs required under various National Health Programmes enlistment of these drugs in the Drugs Price Control Order has been done by the Department of Chemicals as per policy and criteria evolved by them.

(b) to (e) Yes, Sir. Representations were received by both Department of Chemicals and Health. On the basis of a review made by the Director General of Health Services recommendations were made to the Department of Chemicals in June, 1988.

(f) to (j) The Kelkar Committee has been set up by the Department of Chemicals to examine categorisation of drugs. Their terms of reference have been set by the Department of Chemicals. Two experts represent the Ministry of Health of this Committee.